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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ashkenazi et al. Docket No.: 39780-2730P1C16  
Serial No.: 09/990,726 Group Art Unit: 1647  
Filing Date: November 14, 2001 Examiner: Spector, Lorraine  
For: **ANTIBODIES TO PRO809 POLYPEPTIDES**

**EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EL 993 690 628 US**

**Date Mailed: November 4, 2004**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MS: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 4, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a petition for extension of time for two months with necessary fees. Attached herewith are articles by (i) Orntoft *et al.*, (ii) Hyman *et al.*, (iii) Pollack *et al.*, and (iv) Hanna and Mornin, and Declarations by Audrey Goddard, Ph.D., Paul Polakis, Ph.D. and Avi Ashkenazi, Ph.D. Also attached are relevant pages of U.S. Provisional Application 60/141,037, filed June 23, 1999, priority to which has been claimed in this application, which discloses PRO809, its encoding nucleic acids and the gene amplification assay. Also attached is an Information Disclosure Statement with necessary fees.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.